PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No: Q78301 In re application of

Atsunori KITAZAWA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/705,261 Group Art Unit: 2852

Confirmation No.: 3189 Examiner: Laura K. ROTH

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For: FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 2, 2006 to February 2, 2007.

Authorization to charge the statutory fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 is provided via EFS payment screen. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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